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Title: Requests the Hon'ble Home Minister to intervene and stop atrocities committed on Bengali-speaking people.

SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH (ULUBERIA): Sir, the whole House and the country are concerned about infiltration from foreign countries to our State. Government is aware of it and are taking action, identifying and deporting them. This is the job of the Government and everybody is supporting them. But my question is this. The point has been raised repeatedly in this House for the last seven to eight years that people are harassed, arrested, deported, and beaten up. They extract money on the grounds of religion and language.

Bengali is the language of Rabindranath Tagore who got the nobel prize for our country. When they speak in that language, they are branded as foreigners. If they speak in Bengali, is it a crime? It is because all Bengali-speaking people have an identity like the Muslims. I have got ten telephone calls from my house today morning on the atrocities committed on them. About 10,000 persons belonging to my neighbourhood villages are working as zari workers in Mumbai city. They are illiterate Muslim workers who do not get jobs elsewhere. They are embroidery zari workers working in Mumbai. The Shiv Sena Government and the police have arrested some of them. Their names and addresses are with me. They have no relation with Bangladesh. They are originally from West Bengal but they have been arrested. They are trying to deport those persons. This is an inhuman act. Genuine citizens should not be treated in this way. This is a country of all languages and religions and all should be treated equally.

I urge upon the Home Minister to intervene and stop such atrocities committed on the basis of language and religion. This issue had been raised several times in this House but no action has been taken. The Home Minister should make a statement on the atrocities committed on such persons. This is the situation in the country... (interruptions)

सभापति महोदय : यह गम्भीर मामला है। हन्नान साहब इस पर बोल चुके हैं। इस बात को सरकार ने भी सुना है। इसके ऊपर कार्यवाही होगी।

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श्री रामदास अठावले (मुम्बई उत्तर-मध्य) : सभापति महोदय, यह एक गम्भीर मामला है। सरकार को इस बारे में कार्यवाही करनी चाहिए।

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सभापति महोदय : अठावले जी, आप बोल चुके हैं। अब आप बैठिए। आप पहले भी बोल चुके हैं। आपकी बात रिकॉर्ड में आ गई है।

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श्री मोहम्मद अली अशरफ फातमी (दरभंगा): सभापति जी, यह बहुत संगीन मामला है। मैं वहां चंद दिनों पहले पार्टी के कार्यक्रम में गया था। जो लोग सैंट्रल सर्विसेज के मुख्तलिफ इदारों में नौकरी करने जाते हैं, उन लोगों को वहां नौकरी जॉइन करने नहीं दी जाती। अगर यही मामला चलता रहा तो किसी राज्य का आदमी दूसरे राज्य में नौकरी करने नहीं जा सकेगा और उसे नौकरी करने से रोका जाएगा। इसके अन्दर एक पॉलिटिकल पार्टी के लोग जो कि वहां सत्ता में है, इनवालव्ड हैं। यह बहुत शर्म की बात है। इस तरह से मुल्क को बांटने की कोशिश हो रही है। सरकार इस तरफ ध्यान दे।